

# First Unitarian Church of Omaha

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

MARCH 18, 2018

10:30 A.M.

**Share the Plate.** Each month one-half of the loose currency in the offering plate is donated to a cause with a local presence which advances important principles of Unitarianism. This month's recipient is **OTOC (Omaha Together One Community)**, a local interfaith organization of which First Unitarian is a member. We encourage you to learn more about OTOC by visiting their website [www.otoc.org](http://www.otoc.org).

**Change for Change.** Each week generous people put change in the collection plate. This change goes to our Sunday School youth who decide where the money can be best utilized. In the past they have contributed to Community Meals and International Bridges for Justice. This year youth have identified the recipient as Neighborhood Ministry Team, which purchases bus tickets, and food cards and provides blessings bags to people who come to our church requesting help. Your change makes a difference! Thank you for your generosity!

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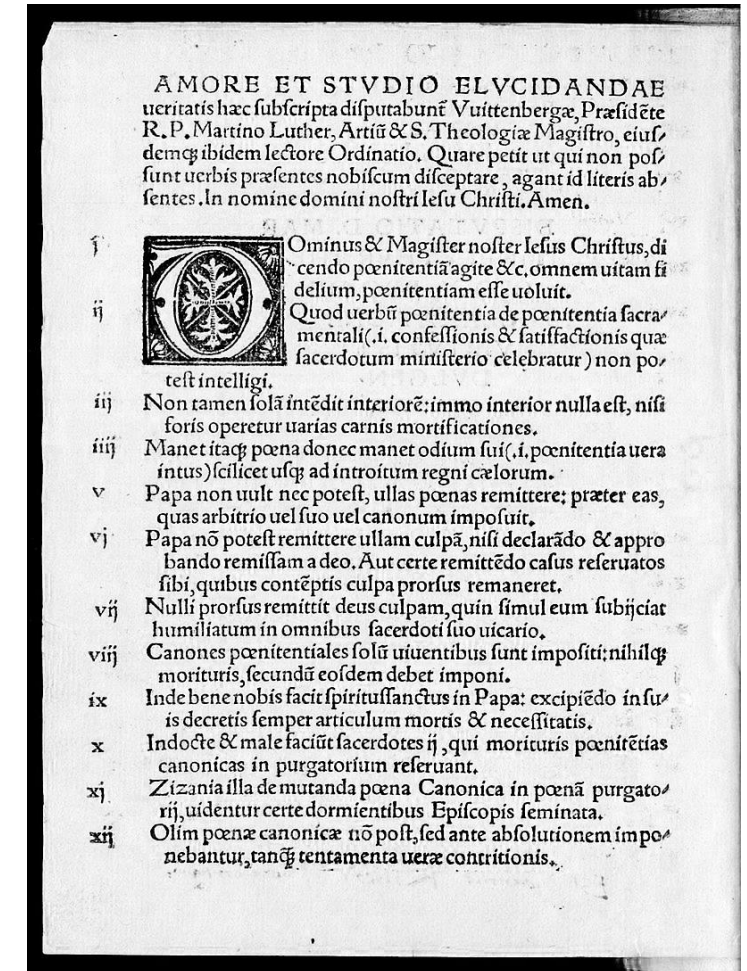
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## Order of Worship

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### GATHERING

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#### BELLSOUND

PRELUDE "The Gift to Be Simple" — Wood

#### WELCOME

ANTIPHONAL READING (#464) "And Then" — Judy Chicago

#### WELCOME AND CYCLE OF LIFE

CHORAL INTROIT "This Little Light of Mine" — arr. Hayes

STORY FOR ALL AGES Jody Petrow

#### \* CHALICE LIGHTING

At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us. — Albert Schweitzer

#### \* SINGING THE CHILDREN TO THEIR CLASSES

Go now in peace. Go now in peace.  
May the Spirit of Love surround you,  
Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Nellie Chenoweth

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Bebe Barreras McCammond

OFFERTORY "Arietta" — Dello Joio

*The Share the Plate beneficiary for the month of March is*

**OTOC (Omaha Together One Community).**

*The Change for Change beneficiary is the Neighborhood Ministry Team.*

### REFLECTING

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THE PRACTICE OF MINDFULNESS — Wendell Berry

DOXOLOGY (#388)

LESSONS — Mary Oliver and Emo Phillips

CHORAL ANTHEM "O Vos Omnes" — de Victoria/arr. Leavitt

SERMON "Reform Shul" Rev. Frank Rivas

### AFFIRMING

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\* HYMN (#318) "We Would Be One"

\* BENEDICTION — adapted from a Sikh text

CHORAL BENEDICTION "As We Leave This Friendly Place"

POSTLUDE "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" — Mansfield

**Organist: Patricia Will**  
**Choir Director: William Miller**  
**Choir Accompanist: J. Gawf**